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Capital paid up\$	
Assets	2,050,520 94
tal and net surplus	1,546,252 84
Premiums	1,801,399 36
Other sources	69,029 56
Total income 1905 Expenditures	1,870,428 92
Losses	1,068,771 02
Dividends	500 500 50
Other expenditures Total expenditures	700,763 50 1,769,534 52
Business 1905	
Risks written 1	76,246,262 60 1,801,399 36
Premiums thereon Losses incurred	956,726 32
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Premiums received Losses paid	2947 28 926 52
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Dividends Other expenditures	98,009 12 2,334,054 95
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CHAS. W. CAMP.	Secretary.
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Income Premiums 14,200,241 58 Other sources 3.626.195 06 Total income 1905.... 17,826,436 64 Expenditures Losses, matured endowments and annuities 5,000,353 17 Dividends and surrender values 2.339.570 51 Installment payments... 114,408 00 upon this order, which respondents Other expenditures 3.358.195 17 claim Judge Murphy was unauthorized Total expenditures 10,812,526 55 to make under Section 197 of the Business 1905 Risks written 69 195 449 60 to notices and statements on motions Premiums thereon 2,810,859 59 for new trial that "the several periods Nevada Business Risks written Premiums received WM, H. KINGSLEY, Secretary, -..0-0-INNUAL STATEMENT Of the Providence Washington Insurance Company of Providence R. I. capital paid up\$ 500,000 00

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Assets 3,028,823 74 Liabilities exclusive of capital and net surplus.. 1,839,797 95 Income Premiums 2,435,447 68 Other sources 103,460 47 Total income 1905..... 2,538,908 15 Expenditures 1,296,849 78 T.OSSes Dividends 50,000 00 Other expenditures 904.206 40 Total expenditures.... 2.251.056 13 **Business 1905** Risks written 400.171.129 00 2,456.415 63 Premiums thereon.... Losses incurred 1.211.471 35 Nevada Business

Risks written 56.087 00 Premiums received 1,607 67 A. . BEALS, Secty. -..0-0

OFFICIAL COUNT OF STATE FUNDS. STATE OF NEVADA.

County of Ormsby, s. s. W. G. Douglas, and James of Judges at Chambers. Each judge G. Sweeney, being duly sworn, shall have power to transact business say they are members of the Board of Examiners of the State of Nev., that on the 29th day of Jan. '05 the books of the State Controller the the Treasury) made an offcial examination and count of the money and vouchers for money in the State Treasury of Nevada and found the san: correct as follows:

Cain \$288,280 74 Paid coin vonchers not returned to Controller 111,112 18

Total 399,392 92 State School Fund Securities. Irredeemable Nevada State 380,000 00 School bond Mass. State 2 per cent' 537,000 00 bonds Nevada State Bonds 253,700 00 Mass. State 31/2 per cent 313,000 00 bonds United States Bonds 215 000 00

W. G. Douglass James G. Sweeney Subscribed and sworn before me this 29th day of January, A. D. 1906.

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J. Doane, Notary Public, Ormsvy County, Nev.

For Sale.

Two quartz wagons, one wood and Apply at Adam Bey, Silver City, Nov. the enactment, and construe it in the terruption except in 1887, 1898 and stock without material injury to the

I The Assessment of the State o IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA. Ebenezer Twaddle and Ebenezer Twaddle as Special Admr., of the Estate of Alexander Twaddle, de-

Plaintiffs and Respondents Theodore Winters, A. C. Winters, L. W. Winters and Samuel Longa-

Defendants and Appellants

From 2d Judicial District Court, Washoe County. Messrs. Cheney and Massey, attorneys

for Plaintiffs. Alfred Chartz, attorney for Defend-

ants. DECISION The respondents have moved to dismiss the appeal from the judgment because it was not taken within one year, and to dismiss the appeal from the order of the district court denying appellants motion for a new trial, also to strike from the records the statement on motion for a new trial, upon the ground that the statement was not filed within the time prescribed by law. The appeal from the judgment is dismissed because not taken until March, 1905,, more than one year after its rendition on June 23. 1902. On that day Judge Curler of the Second Judicial District court rendered the decree, made in open court and had entered in the minutes an order "that all business and all cases and proceedings that have not been completed or in the process of completion, and all new business that may be brought before the court during the absence of the presiding judge, referred to Judge M. A. Murphy of the first judicial district court of the State of Nevada, and that he be requested to try, determine and dispose of all cases and business now before the court in the absence of the judge of this district."

Pursuant to this request Judge Murphy occupied the bench in Reno until July 31, 1903, when a recess was taken until a further order of the court. There was no other session until On July 17th, Judge Murphy, in open court in Reno, made an order allowing plaintiff until August 15th in which to file objection to findings. and prepare additional findings.. On August 3d Judge Murphy at Carson tal and net surplus ... 77,006,641 ca City, and within his own first judicial district, by an ex parte order ler's absence or inability, granted the defendants until September 15, 1903. within which to prepare, file and serve their notice and statement on motion for a new trial. Later extensions were made by Judge Curler, but whether they are effectual deponds Practice Act which provides in regard of time limited may be enlarged by the written agreement of the parties, 32,500 00 or upon good cause shown, by the 4.392 94 court, or the judge before whom the case is tried," and under district court rule XLIII which directs that "no judge, except the judge having charge of the cause or proceeding shall grant further time to plead, move, or do any act or thing required to be done in any cause or proceeding, unless it be shown by affidavit that such judge is absent from the state, or from some other cause is unable to act."

Rule XLI provides: "When any district judge shall have entered upon the trial or hearing of any cause or proceeding, demurrer or motion, or made any ruling, order or decision therein, no other judge shall do any act or thing in or about said cause, proceeding, demurrer or motion, unless upon written request of the judge who shall have first entered upon the trial or hearing of said cause, proceeding demurrer or motion."

Section 2573 of the Compiled laws, passed after section 197 of the Practice Act as quoted, enacts: "The district judges of the State of Nevada shall possess equal coextensive and concurrent jurisdiction and power. court in any county of the State. They shall each exercise and perform the powers, duties and functions of which may be done in chambers at they, (after having ascertained from sions that each judge may direct and present. control the business in his own disamount of money that should be in trict, and shall see that it it properly performed."

We think under the minute order and circumstances related, the power inherent in Judge Curler to extend the time of filing the notice and statement became conferred upon Judge Murphy during the former's absence, and that Judge Murphy became the Judge in charge, endowed with the authority to grant the extension without the presentation of the affidavit showing the absence or inability of Judge Curler, as the rule requires before the order can be made by a Judge not

having the business in charge. Judge Curer's absence was presumed to continue until his return was shown and consequently Judge Murphy's authority based upon that absence would likewise continue. It is said that under the first statute mentioned, the language that "the court or judge before whom the case was tried" may extend the time invalidates the order, because Judge Murphy was not the judge before whom it was tried, and that he was not the court after he returned to Carson City. where he made the order. In a nar row technical sence this may be true. if we do not look beyond the strict one low wheel wagon, also harness for letter of the statute. But not so if six horses. House, barn and five lets we consider the intent and purpose of

+ex-212121216 light of reason as applied to the ordinary rules of practice, and give due weight to the later section. Appar-

The argument advanced concedes court it would have been good, but un-stationary may account for the shortder this contention if he had stepped age and dispute. through the door into the chambers | By consent of the parties in open are business usually, or properly as a witness for the defendants, viewtransacted in chambers and under ed the premises and made measure Section 2573 can and ought to be ments. At the point of least carry made as effectually in any part of the ing capacity of the upper Twaddle during his vacation, but by analogy the construction claimed, if adopted. would, in every case where a district judge dies, resigns of is succeeded. under section 197 made out of ccurt they are of that character ordinarile who had tried the case at Reno and granted in chargers. This would this instance, could make the order in chambers, while his successor could so make it only in the cases tried by him, and would have to be in caur to make these cimple orders extending time in actions which had been previously tried by another judge.

Appellants desired and were entil! ed to the time granted for the ru pose of enabling them to secure from the court reecreer who had left the State, a transcript of the testimony given on the trial, which would enable them to properly prepare the state

Under Section 2573 Judge Curter could have made an order granting Judge Curler's return on August 17th. them the extension at any place in the State, and an during his absence Judge Murphy was requested by the Court minutes to attend to all business for him, we cor clude that he was empowered to make the order at Ca: son City as he did, and as Judge Cur ler could have done, and that it war not necessary for him to make the trip made without affidavit of Judge Cur- to Reno and undergo the formality of opening court to enter ex parte orders. simply extending time, such as are usually made out of court.

The motion to dismiss the appeal from the order overruling the motion for a new trial and to strike out the statement is denied.

ON THE ME.ITS

This action was brought by Alexander Twaddle in his life time and by 450 miners inches running under a six ed as too triffing to be material and plaint of the apropriation of water Creek, alleged to have been appropriated by their grantors in the year, 1856 "by means of dams, ditches and a flume" for the irrigation of their ranch containing 203.92 acres 'n Washer county. The answer denies the allegation of the complaint sets up the ownership by the defendants, Winters, of a tract of land obut one mile wide and two miles long, and alleges appropia ons by them or their grantors aggregating 600 inches flowing ander a four inch pressure, by the year 1867, which are stated to be pricr to any diversion of the water by the plaintiffs, and asserts a claim for 12fendant, Longabaugh, to 180 inches for fluming wood, lumber and ice from large tracts of timber lands owned by him, and for domestic use and irrigating garden on forty acres at Ophir Witnesses appeared to sustain, and

others to dispute plaintiffs' right as initiated a half century ago, and the same is true regarding the claims of these defendants. The record affords a glimpse of pioneer history at a period previous to the admission of this State into the Union, and portrays the building and decay of saw and quartz mills and the rise and decline of towns by the banks of the stream They shall each have power to hold the waters of which are here in litigation. One witness testified that the Hawkins ditch, now known as the upper Twaddle ditch, was completed in the court, and of Judges thereof, and 1857, and that he turned the water of Judges at Chambers. Each judge into it that year. Others stated that water was running in the ditch and flume about that time, and that these any point within the State. All of were aparently in the same place and this section is subject to the provi- of about the same capacity as 'it

On behalf of the defendant other witnesses testified that they were over the ground and saw no ditch and that none existed there during those earlier years. It is unnecessary for us to detail the conflicting portions of the evidence. These were carefulfully considered by the district court, and for the reasons stated in its decision, enforced by statements in deeds made many years before any controversy arose, the finding that this ditch was constructed and a prior appropriation of water made through it in 1857 finds ample support. At first on the Twaddle ranch land was plowed for only a garden and a small piece of grain and but little hay was cut. A reasonable time was allowed in which to extend and complete the use of the a beneficial use at such times as it water that would flow through he ditch and the quantity of land irrigated was increased. The lower Twaddle ditch was constructed from Ophir Creek at some time prior to 1869 and runs to and irrigates the eastern portion of the plaintiffs' ranch It is shown that since that year at least their lands have been in practically the same state of custivation and irrigation that they were in at the time of the commencement of this

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and made it, it would have been void. | court the district judge, accompanied Orders extending the time for filings by a civil engineer who had testified State by the judge having the case in ditch, which is the old square flume charge, as if made by him in cham- near the Bowers' Mansion and grave, bers or in open court. Judge Murphy he measured the flow at 184 inches was merely acting for Judge Curler and the water lacked more than two inches of reaching the top. A surveyor had testified for the plaintiffs that its capacity was 182 inches at this point, and that the expacity of doned, and supplan ed by a new Y he made the examination, and he dacreed them a prior right to 184 mineinches running under a four inch. pressure or 3 34-50 cubic feet per second from April 15th to Nov. 15th each year, and 20 inches or 2.5 of one cubic fort per second for domest's use and watering stock at other times. It is claimed the amount allowed is not warranted by the evidence because more than the canaci-ty of the upper Twaddle ditch as shown by the testimony mentioned fixing it at 189 inches at the point above the marsion, and at 150 inches along the 100 feet of old flume through which the water flowed prior to 1900

It is not pecessary to determine whether the court on its own examination and measurement may allow a quantity beyond the range of the evidence, nor whether the surveyor could actually estimate the capacity of the 100 feet of old flume without knowing the volume and velocity of the water that entered it, nor whether the variation of one part in ninet"one or the difference between 189 unches in his measurement and that of as a slight discrepancy to be expected. for the judgment for the 21 inches which defendants' claim should be deducted because in excess of the canfore the construction of the V Jume their granters had for more than ment of this suit used a portion of is more than required for the irrigais especially so because a few of their above the upper ditch from Onhir Creek and a small portion is naturally swampy. The quantity of water allowed by the decree seems very liberal, both for irrigation and for domestic use and watering stock. Engineers and others testified that one half and three fifths of an inch of water per acre was sufficient, while for this reason a vested Common State School fund, Dist. 1..2605 00 for the plaintiffs, farmers from the vicinity varied in their estimates of

one half to three and one half inches The evidence indicated that the plaintiffs had used as much water as that awarded to them and more, and had uniformly produced good crops Much of their land is sendy with considerable slope. After examining the soil and viewing the quantity of water as it ran on the premises, the court agreed with the testimony of the plaintiffs that that amount was necessary and adopted a mean between the highest and lowest estimates. The quantity of water requisite varies greatly with the soil, seasons, crops, and conditions, and we cannot

say that the allowance is excessive. Alexander Twaddle testified that there were times during the summer, evidently short periods after the land had been irrigated, when it was not necessary to use as much as the unper ditch full of water. On such occasions and whenever it is not neeled by the plaintiffs it should be turned to the defendants, if they have any beneficial use for it, and not permitted to waste. It may be implied by the law, but it is better to have decrees specify, and especially so in this case, in view of the testimony stated and of the perpetual injunction, that the award of water is limited to is needed, Gotelli v. Cardelli. The point and purpose of diversion may be changed if such change does not interefere with the prior rights.

Under the testimony of Alexander Twaddle that the irrigating season closes about the first of October, and that sometimes he used water a little. later, we think probably the decree should limit plaintiffs right for irrigating purposes to October 15th. This may allow defendant Longs action, and that during that period baugh to flume wood a month earlier plaintiffs' used all the water they at this season when the water is low. needed from Ophir Creek without in. and allow Winters more for watering Legislature have recognized the ad-STATE OF THE LOOP

which they had not tried or which teen years he had been using twice as the plaintiff, because he ran the r were rendered. were not properly under their control, much water from Ophir Creek in ad- water in his flume past their ditta and yet in the case of the absence or dition to that from other streams, as and into one owned by Winters, and rado before the Supreme Court of the inability of the judge who tried the he used during the first ten years that joined with the other defendants in action, to grant relief, or allow ex- he cultivated his lands. As he claims answering and resisting the action of tensions to be made to deserving liti- and uses more than the plaintiffs, we plaintiffs. The decree does not preconclude that this large increase in Vent him from taking any water in Fresno and King counties, Califorthe creek in excess of the amount that if Judge Murrhy had gone to streams since the completion of their awarded to plaintiffs. Nor does it in Reno and entered the order in open oppropriation which has remained any way interefere with the water be-Ophir Creek and take out lower down provided he does not diminish the flow to which plaintiffs are entitled.

the plaintiffs, conveyed to M. C. Lake one-third of that certain water ditch and flume known as the Twaddle ditch, leading from what is now in force now in that State. known as the Ophir creek to the land creek through the lands of C. F. Wooten and M. C. Lake, with the privilege of running water through 1865. said flume and ditch to what is known invalidate the orders extending time 100 feet of old flume remaining up as the Bowers Mansion or grounds, nearer the head of the ditch which the expense of maintaining said part of the plaitning within thirty by his successor in office, although had been impaired by age and aban ditch and flume to be paid by each in days from the filing hereof, a written proportion to their interests in same. consent that the judgment be modiflume built above the old one by the It will be noted that this language fied by limiting the use of the 184 inmean a distinction and two rules for plaintiffs in 1900, was 150 inches. At does not purport to grant any water, filing orders of the same kind, this point the judge found that 191 but rather the right to convey water and that the judge who had tried the inches of wat r which he had meast and that it amounts to a sale of a cause as Judge Curier had done in ured below boot filed the new v third interest in the ditch with at flume, and he estimated that the oil least the privilege to that extent of frame would carry from 200 to 200 to- running in it water which Lake had, ches. From his examination of the or might appropriate. Later, the depremises and the observer of the soil fondant Theodore Winters, acquiret the court was of the opinion that the Bowers Mansion and grounds inches awarded to them, when necesplaintiffs required, and were entitled through conveyances which did not to, at least the amount of water they mention any interest in this ditch. It had flowing in the flume at the time does not appear that Lake or his grantors ever made any use of the ditch or ever contributed towards its, decreed that said plaintiffs have the repair

> Alexander Twaddle stated on the stand that he did not claim all this ditch and that the plaintiffs owned two thirds of it. Whether under this trict court will modify the judgment deed the one-third interest in the accordingly and as so mostfied the ditch became appurtenant to the Bowers land when it was never used; ed. for its irrigation, and later passed with the land without being mentioned, and whether after the lapse of twenty-five years without any use or contribution towards its repair the grantee of Lake has a third interest as a co-owner in the ditch and that part of the flume which has not becasuperceeded by the new one built by plaintiffs, are questions which we need not determine, for they, and that part of the judgment of the court and Flume," are not within the allegations of the pleadings which con-

ditch. and a flume" the court properly deacity of the upper ditch and fun a ban ditches running to their lands. They would have that right in the upper in 1900, is suported by the anding of ditch if their interest in it is only thirty-one years before the columence fendants in the lower ditch, but whether the grantee of Lake owns the water through the lower Twas and can assert a right to an undividle ditch. It is urged that 184 inches ded one-third interest, is a question to be determined by the judgment in Agl Assn. Bond Fund, Series 170.45 acres of cultivated land lies the absence of any issue or allegation concerning it. The defendants spe ifically excepted to finding number twelve in this regard.

Patents for defendants' lands lying along the banks of Ophir Creek were issued to their grantors before the passage of the Act of Congress of July 26, 1866 and it is asserted that Co School Fund Dist. 4.....24 00 Law riparian right to the flow of the waters of Opnir Creek accrued of the amount necessary from one and which they could not be degrived by that Act If this were crue defendants State School fund, Dist 4 ... 165 00 might as well be considered under Special building5850 00 that right by acquiescence in the continued diversion of the water by plain tiffs for a period many times longer than that provided by the statute of limitations, but in this contention counsel is in error. We do not wish to consider seriously or at length an argument by which it is sought to have us over-rule well reasoned decisions of long standing in this and other arid states, and in the Supreme Court of the United States, such as Jones v. Adams, Reno Samplin Works v. Stevenson and Broder v. Water Co., declaring that this statute was rather the voluntary recognition of a pre-existing right to water constituting a valid claim to its continued use, than the establishment of a new one. As time passes it becomes more and more apparent that the law of ownersnip of water by prior appropriation for a beneficial purpose is essential under our climatic conditions to the general welfare, and that the Common Law regarding the flow of streams which may be unobjection able in such localities as the Britis Isles and the coast of Oregon, Washington and northern California where rains are frequent and fogs and winds laden with mist from the acean prevail and moisten the soil, is unsuitable under our sunny skies where the lands are so arid that irrigation is required for the production of the crops necessary for the support and prosperity of the people. Irrigation is the life of our important and increasing agricultural interests which would be strangled by the enforcement of the riparian principle.

> Congress is apropriating millions for storage and distribution and our vantages of conserving the water above for use in irrigation instead or

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at the time this suit was begun. It plaintiffs. Although his flume was having it flow by lands of riparian appears that the plaintiffs' had not erected many years ago Longabauga owners to finally waste by sinking and materially increased their oppropriated did not show any prior appropriation evaporating in the desert. The Cattently the object of this legislation was thon in therty-three years, while and the decree properly enjoins him fornia decisions cited for appellants to prevent the granting of extensions | Theodore winters admitted upon the from interfereing with that part of may no longer be considered good and the meddling of judges in cases stand that during the last ten or fif- the water of Ophir Creek awarded to law even in the state in which they

In the recent case of Kansas v. Colo-United States, Congressman Needham testified that irrigation had doubled and trebled the value of property in nia., that they nad to depart from the doctrine of riparian rights and under that doctrine it would be difficult of longing to him coming from other make any future development; that sources. This he may turn into there has been a departure from the principles laid down in Lux v. Haggin. because at that time the value of On May 30, 1877, John Twaddle, the soin has been practically reversed by water was not realized, that the decifather and predecessor in interest of the same court on subsequent occasions, and that the dectrine of prior appropriation and the application of water to a beneficial use is in effect

We must decline to award the deof said Twaddle, southerly from said fendants the waters of the stream as riparian proprietors and patentees of the land along its banks prior to

> The case will be remanded for a new trial unless there is filed on the ches, or 3 34-50 cubic feet per second or water awarded to the plainting, to such times as may be necessary and the irrigation of their crops or lands or for other beneficial purposes, between April 15 and October 15 of ach year, and by allowing plaintifts for the remainder of the time the 29 sary for their household, domestic and stock purposes, and by striking from the decree the words:

"It is further ordered, adjudged and exclusive right to use and the exclusive use of said Upper Twaddle Ditch and Flume at all seasons of the year. If such consent is so filed the aisjudgment and decree will stand affirm-

Talbot, J. We concur:

Fitzgerald, C. J. Nereros I Quarterly Report. Ormsby County, Nevada. Receipts.

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